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¶1. (U) AS EXPECTED (REFTEL), PM BAKHIT RESHUFFLED HIS CABINET ON NOVEMBER 22 WITH THE BIGGEST CHANGES COMING IN ECONOMY-RELATED MINISTRIES. KING ABDULLAH ATTENDED THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY, AND THANKED DEPARTING MINISTERS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND EFFORTS. PARAGRAPH TWO LISTS THE NEW MINISTERS. POST WILL REPORT BIO INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS SEPTTEL.

¶2. (U) DR. KHALID SAMARA AL-ZU'BI - MINISTER OF STATE FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS

- DR. MOHAMMED THUNEIBAT - MINISTER OF PUBLIC SECTOR DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
- MUHIDDIN TOUQ) MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (FORMER AMBASSADOR AND HEAD FOR THE INSTITUTE FOR DIPLOMACY)
- SHARIF AL ZUBI) MINISTER OF JUSTICE (FORMERLY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE)
- SALIM KHAZA'ILAH) MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE (FORMERLY MINISTER OF PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM)
- DR. SAAD AL KHARABSHEH) MINISTER OF HEALTH (FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH)

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- DR. KHALID SHREIDAH) MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES
- DR. MOHAMMED AL OURAN) MINISTER OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT (FORMER LEADER OF A MINOR OPPOSITION PARTY AND HEAD OF THE DOCTOR'S UNION)
- DR. MUSTAFA QURUNFILAH) MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
- BASIM AL ROUSAN) MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY
- OSAMA AL DABBAS) MINISTER OF TOURISM AND ANTIQUITIES

¶3. (U) OUTGOING MINISTERS INCLUDE:

- ABID SHAKHANBEH) MINISTER OF JUSTICE
- AZMI KHREISAT) MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES
- SAEED DARWAZAH) MINISTER OF HEALTH
- AKEF AL ZU'BI) MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
- SABRI RBIEHAT) MINISTER OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
- MUNIR NASSAR) MINISTER OF TOURISM AND ANTIQUITIES
- OMAR AL KURDI) MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

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